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To: Prospective Applicant for the LADC License, Office of Substance Abuse, Licensed Agencies, Certified Alcohol & Drug Counselors (CADC), and Certified Clinical Supervisors (CCS)

From: Geraldine Betts, Administrator *for the* Board of Alcohol and Drug Counselors

Date: October 24, 2006

BOARD OF ALCOHOL AND DRUG COUNSELORS

Important Notice About Examinations

Case Management Presentation("CPM")/Oral Examination Replaced

After careful consideration at its August 5, 2006 meeting, the Board voted to *replace* the CPM/oral examination with the Advanced AODA written examination. This change will decrease time constraints to achieve licensure status without jeopardizing the board's obligation to protect the public and license qualified individuals. In some cases, prospective applicants will realize a turn around time savings from about 2-4 months. *Effective January 1, 2007*, individuals applying for the LADC license level will be required to take and pass the Advanced AODA written examination in lieu of the CPM/oral examination.

Currently, the LADC applicant must pass the AODA written examination, which will remain as a requirement for licensure. Our experience is that at least 90% or more applicants for the LADC license achieved passing the AODA written examination when applying for the CADC license level, which will be honored when applying for the LADC license. If the LADC applicant has *not* taken the AODA written examination prior to application to become a LADC, the applicant must take and pass both the AODA level and the *Advanced* AODA written examinations.

Applications are currently being revised to reflect the change and will be available online at www.maineprofessionalreg.org by October 31, 2006. To request a packet by mail you may contact the following staff members for assistance:

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The next test administrations for both the AODA and *Advanced* AODA written examinations are:

Date of Examination	A completed application together with supporting documents must be received by the board's office by 5:00 p.m. the close of business and accepted for eligibility.
December 8, 2006	November 3, 2006
March 9, 2007	January 26, 2007
June 8, 2007	April 27, 2007
September 14, 2007	July 27, 2007
December 14, 2007	October 26, 2007